

Where Even The Shadows Glow

Spoken into existence
humming sympathetically
reality realized itself

It was numbers
it was space
it was time
It was numbers over space
and time

Peaks of sound
revolved at nodes
that synced harmoniously

Eons echoed effortlessly
with simply being
what they would always be:
the mystic

Sentience was birthed
in many forms
it sang on the nodes
and reverberated

Reality looked with love
at the self-aware
Reality looked with love
at those in awe of being

Unexplained and constant
the sentient knew:
reality was magic
and magic was reality

To you
The only one
who truly listens
truly knows
truly understands
I give all my melodies

In a world
of banging and clanging
Your creation
eases my spirit

Small things
weave in
and out
of each other
they make up
your ever-moving symphony

All I ask
is a few quiet moments
to fill your silence
with a song
of air and aether

It came on so quickly
this soft fog

You made the world less jagged

For a time
I walked in the sky

You brought it down to me

Unexpected and glorious
a humid surprise

You turned reality into a painting

I'll remember where I was
when you joined the earth and sky

I'll remember where I was
when the clouds met the ground

We are the lovers
in our sailboat
blown down the river
by the sigh of your voice

We are the singers
harmonizing and touching
ears and hearts

We know who we are
when you send down summer rain
and make the flowers rise up

Though we fool ourselves
into thinking
you are beyond sight
We've only ever been able
to see you

Beaming down
warmly and lovingly
the closest star
encourages greenery

and when that star spends
less time with me
you send beauty
in flakes of white

The mud churns up
when plants and streams
awaken

in remembrance of you
the grass has stained my knees

This gift you have given
let's me see
through your eyes

You let me see
what may have been
or could be

You give me reason to muse

I can imagine a song
only sung out in the fields
where creatures of myth
dance through the night

I can imagine you
tending the embers
in the center
of my soul

You gave this flute
that cries and reaches
for you

You gave these lungs
that fill the flute
with my longing for you

You gave this desire
that I would try
to bridge the gap
between me and you

This crying flute
sings to reunite us
with a hopefully romantic
tone and tune

Never repeating
but always soothing
you breathe your voice
into the wind

An ambient clinking and clacking
tinkling and droning
is your blanket of sound

I am wrapped up in it

What an intentional accident
as you conduct
The orchestrated chaos
of wind and chimes

I can't be sad
when I see you
in the smile of a child

You are the reason for happiness

I can only feel your warmth
when blizzards blow
and ice is beneath me

As age wears down
this cage of flesh
and I forget more often

You are all I need to remember

In the middle of morning
with the nights lullaby
fading from my mind
I can see you everywhere

In the spaces in between
the air and the water
I can see you

My hearts is yours
and you gave it to me
it was always just ours

When pain stops
I can feel you
I thank you
during any reprieve

And I thank you
when others would be thanking
themselves

I thank you

The air finds its way
from my heart
to the melody

I can bring peace
carried by the wind

This is what I have to give
my song without words
never sung twice the same

Come with me
my fellows of concern

Come with me
those who are weary

And lay in this soft bed
of sound

We carved out the lyrics
and you gave us the melody

We pondered the mysteries
and you gave us the meaning

We learned of misfortune
and you gave us humility

We wished for better times
and you gave us infinity

We hoped for the best
and you gave us something better

You gave us an effortless compassion
You gave us love

We need be nothing greater
than pebbles
on a well traveled trail

We need be nothing lesser
than a mountain
that towers over all

We can't find any place
where your love can't reach

We can't cry any tears
that your hand can't wipe away

The waves thought they could
bring all of the sea to me
but most of it
stayed behind

The clouds thought they could
hide all of the stars from me
but I saw a few

Anger and sadness thought they could
drown out your loving voice
but you ring out longer
than anger
and you are louder
than sorrow

Sitting securely
in your hands
I see you stretch out
in all directions
at all times
for as far as can be seen
or lived

Breathing deeply
from the root of you
I can release
a melody
that nurtures

From the spark
you placed
within my heart
I can give your bounty
to all

Inexhaustible is your fire

Inexhaustible you are

You made the air
and air can carry
the tunes I pour
into you

You made the water
and water can erode
the harshest things

You made the lungs of the earth
so all creatures
can breathe their song
into you

You gifted us with hearts
so we can know
the truths
there are no words for

Peeking over treetops
and mountain ranges
while gliding along the ocean
the warm morning rays of sun
are caught in my iris

Leaves crackle
beneath my foot steps
as the illumination
touches my skin

Heat is given
and received

The last bright days
before the winter awakens
to put the trees to sleep
are colored with oranges and reds

There is no time of year
to mourn the loss of
the gorgeous

Snow piles up
and light lasts less
but beauty never sleeps

I can escape lamentation
when you sit with me by the stream
and show me water music

I can be in the now
where you always are

I'm just passing through
on my way
to your evergreen land

You keep your promise
to let me be with you
always
like a never-setting sun

We can be like the dragonflies
We can skitter above
lakes and streams

We can be like the moon
and reflect at night
on the oceans and seas

We don't have to be humans
for a brief while
we can be still
like a pond

We can just sit here
and
We can watch the water

There is a list
I keep in my mind
A list of names
of those I love

When life creaks and groans
when stress stretches me to limits
I can sit inside my love for them

Linked together
we let ourselves need each other
we are free to be imperfect
around each other

At days end
when thought swirl
keeping me awake

I can remember them
I can sleep soundly

The steady burning glow
that you have placed in me
can never leave me cold

A bottomless well of gratitude
and peaceful patience
is the gift I have found inside me

It is there that you were waiting for me
it is there that you gave me all I need
It is there that I found you
flowing in the fountain of the divine

I need no shouted proclamation
No grandiose scheme
Just the patience to close my eyes
and turn toward you

Where the ground is soft
with greenery

Where the sun shines gently
and peers through clouds

Where the stars speak
in an ancient language
that reassures
and comforts

Where the air wraps
all beings in humid peacefulness
and rejuvenates them
with each breath

Where violence and grief
are simply fading memories
that bloom into
new phases of light
into incandescent friendship

This is where we will lay
lavishly loving life

Where even the shadows glow